



## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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Whereas, The state of Indiana permits various types of bonds to effect the pretrial release of criminal defendants;

Whereas, Those bonds include personal recognizance, corporate surety, cash, real property, and deposit (public cash bail) as well as combinations of those listed herein;

Whereas, It is in the best interests of the state of Indiana to make certain that criminal defendants are returned to court for trials and hearings;

Whereas, There exists a concern among victims, law enforcement officials, and court officers as to which of these forms of release are most effective in ensuring that criminal defendants are returned to court for trials and hearings;

Whereas, The state of Indiana should make a determination as to whether there are more effective methods of pretrial release for serious and violent offenders;

Whereas, The state of Indiana should make a determination as to whether cash bail programs get persons back to court for proper disposition;

Whereas, The state of Indiana should make a determination as to whether cash bail released defendants





will recidivate;

Whereas, The state of Indiana should make a determination as to what impact cash bail programs have on jail overcrowding;

Whereas, The state of Indiana should make a determination as to what type of defendants are the best candidates for release on cash bail; and

Whereas, It would assist the citizens of the state of Indiana, victims of crimes, law enforcement officials, and court officers if records were gathered to determine which form of pretrial release was the most effective in returning criminal defendants to court: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. That the legislative council is urged to establish an interim study committee to study the effectiveness of various types of pretrial release procedures in ensuring that criminal defendants are returned to court for trials and hearings.

SECTION 2. That the committee, if established, shall operate under the direction of the legislative council and that the committee shall issue a final report when directed to do so by the council.

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